

Name: _____

Suppose $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$, and it is desired to test:

$$H_0 : \sigma^2 \leq 2$$

$$H_1 : \sigma^2 > 2$$

1. Find the MLR statistic. For which types of values of T would you reject H_0 (i.e., big ones or small ones)?

2. Assume $n = 20, \alpha_0 = 0.01$, find the UMP (Uniformly Most Powerful) test.

Solution:

Let $\sigma_1^2 < \sigma_2^2, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2 \in \Omega$.

$$\frac{f(\underline{x}|\sigma_2^2)}{f(\underline{x}|\sigma_1^2)} = \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}\right)^n \frac{e^{-\sum x_i^2/2\sigma_2^2}}{e^{-\sum x_i^2/2\sigma_1^2}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}\right)^n e^{\sum x_i^2(1/2\sigma_1^2 - 1/2\sigma_2^2)}$$

$$(1/2\sigma_1^2 - 1/2\sigma_2^2) > 0$$

$$T = \sum X_i^2$$

$$\delta : \quad \{\text{reject } H_0 \text{ if } \sum x_i^2 \geq c\}$$

Note that the exact same work leads to answers for the following slightly more interesting set of questions:

1. Find the UMP (Uniformly Most Powerful) test at level α_0 .
2. Assume $n = 20, \alpha_0 = 0.01$, find the actual cutoff for the test (draw a picture).
3. Find the power function for the test.

Solution:

Let $\sigma_1^2 < \sigma_2^2, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2 \in \Omega$.

$$\frac{f(\underline{x}|\sigma_2^2)}{f(\underline{x}|\sigma_1^2)} = \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}\right)^n \frac{e^{-\sum x_i^2/2\sigma_2^2}}{e^{-\sum x_i^2/2\sigma_1^2}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}\right)^n e^{\sum x_i^2(1/2\sigma_1^2 - 1/2\sigma_2^2)}$$

$$(1/2\sigma_1^2 - 1/2\sigma_2^2) > 0$$

$$T = \sum X_i^2$$

$$\delta : \quad \{\text{reject } H_0 \text{ if } \sum x_i^2 \geq c\}$$

is UMP at α_0 . For $n = 20, \alpha_0 = 0.01$, find c .

$$\begin{aligned}P(\sum X_i^2 \geq c | \sigma^2 = 2) &= 0.01 \\P(\sum X_i^2 / 2 \geq c/2 | \sigma^2 = 2) &= 0.01 \\c/2 &= 37.57 \\c &= 75.14 \\\delta : & \quad \{\text{reject } H_0 \text{ if } \sum x_i^2 \geq 75.14\}\end{aligned}$$

The power function is given by the cdf of a χ_{20}^2 . We can calculate the probability of rejecting H_0 for various values of σ^2 .

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(\sigma^2 | \delta) &= P(\text{reject } H_0 | \sigma^2) \\&= P(\sum X_i^2 \geq 75.14 | \sigma^2) \\&= P(\sum X_i^2 / \sigma^2 \geq 75.14 / \sigma^2) \\&= 1 - \chi_{20}^2(75.14 / \sigma^2) \\\pi(\sigma^2 = 6 | \delta) &= 1 - \chi_{20}^2(12.52) \approx 0.80 \\\pi(\sigma^2 = 3 | \delta) &= 1 - \chi_{20}^2(25.05) \approx 0.20 \\\pi(\sigma^2 = 4 | \delta) &= 1 - \chi_{20}^2(18.79) \approx 0.45\end{aligned}$$